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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re U.S. Patent Application of: )  
Alain Marbach, et al. )  
Application No. 09/611,996 ) Examiner: NAJJAR, Saleh  
Filed: July 7, 2000 ) Group Art Unit: 2157  
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR A ) Conf No: 6583  
NOTIFICATION SYSTEM OF AN ) Atty Docket No: SAA-42  
AUTOMATION NETWORK )

**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL**

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DEAR SIR:

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Respectfully submitted,

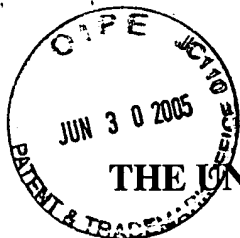
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**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION DATED APRIL 25, 2005**

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Dear Sir:

This Reply is in response to the Office Action dated April 25, 2005. This Reply is being submitted within the three month shortened statutory time period. Reconsideration of the referenced application, including all pending claims, is respectfully requested in light of the amendments and the remarks set forth below.

Please amend the application as follows:

**Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims that begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.